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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence**SUBJECT: Request for Release of NIEs to the
Johnson Subcommittee**

1. This memorandum is for information only.
2. You will recall that I mentioned that Colonel James W. Strain in Army Intelligence called and indicated that in the course of General Gavin appearing before the Johnson Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee Mr. Weisl asked if the Subcommittee could be supplied with the national estimates on guided missiles. Pursuant to your request, I telephoned Colonel Strain to determine if the Army had any recommendations on the subject. Colonel Strain stated that he had discussed the subject with General Schow previously and that General Schow did not take any position on this but assumed that the Director would not wish to release them to the Subcommittee. Colonel Strain had also discussed the matter previously with General Wienecke who had the same views as General Schow.
3. Colonel Strain was advised that if the Army had any recommendations on the matter the Director would consider the request. Colonel Strain stated that he would be in touch with Mr. Weisl to suggest that if the Subcommittee wished to raise the question of national estimates being supplied the matter should be taken up with CIA directly. In view of this it would seem that no action on this item is required. However, it would seem desirable to carry out your plan to forward a memorandum to the Subcommittee conveying additional information based on revised estimates without

reference to their request on General Gavin. In this way we would be in the position, if the question is raised, to assert that all of the information contained in the estimates is already available to them in such memorandum and in your previous testimony.

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